December 7, 1977

Dear Harold,

Please bear with me and my bad handwriting. My typewriter needs a new ribbon, and I have given up trying to use it tonight. Also, this classy stationery is straight out of my kids' Sesame Street tablet.

Enclosed are some articles we thought you'd be interested in. Please forgive the delay in sending them. Our intentions are good... only a bit slow.

We are all well. The boys are excited about Christmas, of course. Jim and I have been busy -- we've torn down the 2 front walls in the front hall & entrance, to make one big room. We (all by ourselves) have put down in the new room 255 sq. feet of ceramic tile. On the north wall, we have put 6" pieces of redwood paneling

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Jim and I were very disappointed when your trip to Dallas was cancelled. ~~~~ Especially so when we could have met your ~~~~ wife! Just remember you always have an invitation to stay with us. The girls don't live with us now, so we do have loads of room. And we're anxious for you to see our new room! (We've done it with much sweat, blood, work and cussing!).

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We think of you often - and hope your health is well. Take care and let us hear from you when you can.

Please forgive my handwriting; but my typewriter is little better!

Best wishes and warmest wishes for the holidays.

Regards,
Jim & Judy